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We are just in receipt of immense shipments of Carpets, Rugs and Druggets of all kinds and sizes, which we have marked at summer prices.

Every Carpet, Rug and Drugget in the entire lot was selected with the utmost care as regards quality and design, because our trade is a very discriminating one, and we never buy Carpets without first giving the minutest attention to detail of quality, coloring and design.

Our prices are so low and our designs so beautiful that it would be most unwise on the part of any one thinking of buying a Carpet, Rug or Drugget, either for immediate use or for Fall, without first seeing the Miller & Rhoads carpet stock.

### Axminster Rugs, \$20

9x12 feet, in Oriental and floral patterns; all new goods.

### Tapestry Brussels Rugs

\$10.75

9x11 feet, beautiful patterns, reds, greens, blues and tans. Splendid value.

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9x12 feet, all wool, good line of patterns and colors. For wearing qualities and attractiveness they have no equals at the price.

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\$14.75

9x12 feet size, and hundreds of patterns to select from. One of the best values that has ever come to Richmond.

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27x54 inches. Splendid line of patterns.

### Velvet Carpets, 75c yd

Good line of patterns for rooms, halls and stairs. A choice value.

### Wilton Velvet Carpets,

\$1.10 yard

Room patterns, with borders to match. These Carpets formerly sold for \$1.50 and \$1.75 a yard.

### Axminster Carpets,

\$1.10 yard

Good patterns for library, dining-rooms and parlors, with borders to match. Former prices \$1.35 and \$1.50 a yard.

## HOLD PORTER AS DIAMOND THIEF

Charged With Robbing French Couple on Pullman Near Richmond in December.

Pavsoner Brown, colored, formerly a Pullman car porter, was arrested yesterday in New York and held for further hearing by Magistrate Cornell on a charge of robbing Dr. Friedman, a Frenchman, and his wife, of diamonds and other jewelry, valued at \$10,000, while they were traveling on an Atlantic Coast Line train between Fredericksburg and this city, on December 24 last. Brown was arrested while trying to pawn a ring. He admitted having once been a porter, but denied all knowledge of the theft.

The detective making the charge, said the ring answered the description of one of the articles stolen from the Frenchman.

The robbery was reported in Richmond immediately upon arrival of the train. The entire detective force was put on the case; train passengers and porters were searched, but in vain. The jewelry had mysteriously disappeared. The train was held here for some time, and was searched repeatedly. All of the porters were put through a severe questioning, but no clue could ever be discovered. Mr. Friedman and his wife, who hailed from Paris, and who were touring the country, spent a day and night at the Jefferson Hotel, and then, believing that their diamonds were lost irretrievably, continued on their way to Wilmington, N.C., leaving the local detectives to do the best they could. Nothing more was ever heard concerning the robbery until the arrest of the porter upon whom the New York detectives are trying to fasten the crime.

### INTENSE HEAT MARKS DAY

People suffer, perspire and sweat, but no relief is offered until nightfall. Heat, intensified by a moist, muggy atmosphere, caused much suffering yesterday among men and beasts. It fairly sweated for the sun beat down all day with unabating fury and there was no kindly breeze to bring even a little relief to those, who, pressed by business or by poverty, or by both, were forced to endure the burden as best they might.

The highest registration of the thermometer was 93, but the heat was really accentuated by the muggyness of the air. There were a few who were able to live through the day, sipping mint juleps or lying beneath their favorite bough, but the great mass, both white and colored, of Richmond's population, perspired and swore until the coming of the cooler night.

### DR. WILLIAMS RESIGNS

Retires from Council to Begin Work as Health Commissioner.

Dr. Eamon G. Williams, whose term as State Health Commissioner begins July 1st, handed his resignation as a member of the Council, from Monroe Ward, to President Peter yesterday. His term did not expire until September 1st. One of the Councilmen from Monroe Ward, Dr. Frank M. Reade or Mr. J. Randolph Tucker, will probably be elected to fill the vacant term.

Dr. Williams has been a member of the Council for nearly four years, having been elected to fill the vacancy of Mr. Lewis C. Williams. He was subsequently re-elected by the people of the ward, and has especially his services been useful in all matters relating to the public health, he having been the patron of the ordinance under which the Board of Health is now operating. In looking after the interest of the city hospital and sanatorium, Dr. Williams proved that he was a member whose place will be hard to fill.

### Invite Downing Here Again.

Since his last visit to Richmond, Mr. Robert Downing, the converted actor, has been conducting meetings in Baltimore. Efforts are being made to have him address another large meeting under the auspices of the Richmond Y. M. C. A. during the fall.

### Mrs. Gill's Commencement.

The closing exercises of the Male Orphan Asylum school will be held this morning afternoon at 6 o'clock. Many pupils of this school will participate. The public is invited.

## POOR CRYING FOR ICE, BUT MISSION FUNDS ARE LOW

Suffering Increases With Hot Weather, Managers Appealing to Public in Order to Meet Appeals From Unfortunates—Will Soon Deplete Treasury.

With the first touch of real hot weather, the Ice Mission has been flooded with so many appeals from the sick and poor that those in charge begin to see the times ahead when the mission will have no ready money to supply the demand.

The appeals of those known by the mission to be worthy, but dependent people, have about exhausted the amount that the mission is at present able to expend, and if the hot weather keeps up very shortly the treasury will be depleted.

Of course, the prophecy of this condition is based upon the collections of the future as compared with the past two weeks. While the collections up to the average, the collections from the boxes placed in the newspaper offices and drug stores in the last two weeks amounted to only \$1.10.

Possibly no organization of any kind in the city relieves more suffering than the Ice Mission. Tickets calling for ten pounds each are delivered through the visitors of the Associated Charities and the Visiting Nurses to the old, the sick and the deserving poor. Those who are aided are not even required to go after the ice, as through a contract with the Ice company the blocks are delivered.

A list of those who have tickets is delivered to the company, and each day its visitors call on them. If new names are added the company is at once notified. That only persons in need are aided is first ascertained by those in charge of the distribution of tickets.

## Switched Train by Flaming Car

Fire, originating from an unknown cause, totally destroyed an express car and contents of Atlantic Coast Line train No. 59, near Brooke Station, on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway, early yesterday morning. At the time of the fire the train, which runs from New York to Jacksonville, Fla., was in charge of a Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac crew. Practically everything in the car was consigned to Richmond. The flames were first discovered by Express Messenger Brantley, who signalled the engineer to stop. At first the engine crew assisted by several passengers made heroic efforts to extinguish the flames, but it was evident that they had got beyond control. The engine, which had been uncoupled, was again hooked on, and the flaming car was pulled down the southbound track and abandoned to fate. The engine then proceeded to Fredericksburg, where it was switched over to the northbound track. From there it ran back to Aftonville, was switched to the southbound track, ran in behind and pulled the train back to Aftonville, and by means switching again got in front of the train and pushed the burning car and into Fredericksburg on the northbound track, where the whole train was switched to the southbound track and proceeded to Richmond.

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### GIRL'S TRAGIC DEATH

Stricken While Father Is Away, and Friends Cannot Find Him.

With parties in two launches still searching and using every telephone and telegraph connection touching the James River to locate W. E. Joyner, the father of thirteen-year-old Lillian Lyle Joyner, who died Monday at the Memorial Hospital, up to a late hour last night nothing had been heard from the missing man.

Mr. Joyner, who lately recovered from a severe attack of sickness, obtained leave of absence from the post-office, where he is employed as a mail-carrier, and left a week ago yesterday for a cruise down the James. On Thursday his daughter was stricken. She was immediately removed to the hospital, where she died after an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Joyner made every effort to locate her husband, who was accompanied by his son, Walter W. Jr., and

## BLUES VOTE TILL ONE O'CLOCK A. M.

Company A Elects McDowell and Bowles Lieutenants After Long Contest.

After balloting continuously until 1 o'clock this morning, Company A, Richmond Light Infantry Blues, elected Second Lieutenant T. B. McDowell as first lieutenant, to succeed Lieutenant T. J. Mahoney, resigned, and First Sergeant Drury R. Bowles, Jr., as second lieutenant.

There was a spirited contest from the first, and members of the company expressed a determination to stay in continuous session until a result was reached. A brief recess just before the hour of midnight was taken, after casting eighteen ballots without result other than to show the division of opinion in the company.

The main candidates for first lieutenant were Lieutenant McDowell, Sergeant Bowles and Sergeant W. G. Puller, Jr., and while almost every ballot showed a change, no candidate could get a clear majority. Several ballots after midnight brought no result. Then the company put its heads together and ended things with a whoop, before 1 o'clock. Before the vote was announced the election of Mr. McDowell and Mr. Bowles was made unanimous, and the company adjourned to hold the all-night lunch counters.

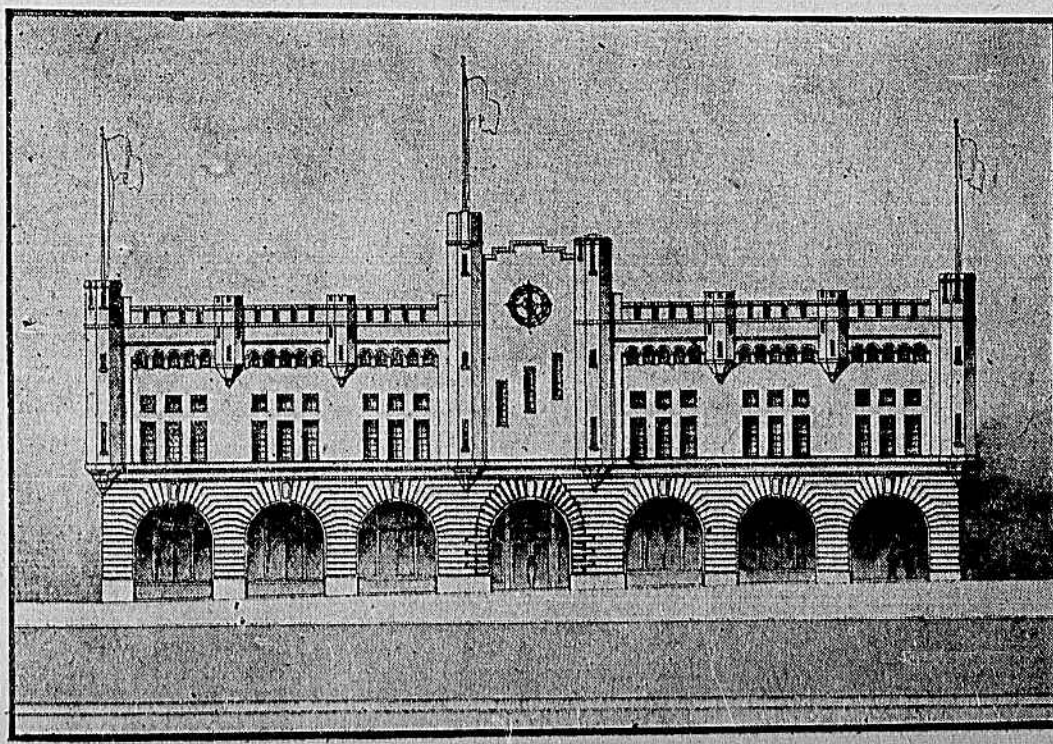
First Lieutenant McDowell is the chief clerk to the car accountant of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and has been an active member of the organization for some time. Second Lieutenant Bowles is a brother of Major E. W. Bowles, of the Blues battalion.

### PERMIT HELD UP

Application for Frame Structure Delayed Until Neighbors Are Heard.

Mrs. Sue S. Dawson has filed with Building Inspector Henry P. Beck an application for a permit to erect a frame dwelling at No. 312 South Pine Street. The building will replace an old brick structure, which is to be torn down. The inspector has agreed to hold the application until June 29th, when he will issue the permit, unless adjacent property owners object. As most of the houses in the neighborhood are of wooden construction, it is not thought that any protest will be raised.

## New Armory for Richmond Light Infantry Blues



## MINOR DEFEATED ON SECOND BALLOT

Leroy Speights Elected City Electrical Inspector, Even Beating the Machine.

### FIVE WERE NOMINATED

Politicians Lined Up for Bowry, Who Had No City License.

In a contest which lasted right up to the time the last ballot was cast, Mr. Leroy Speights was elected City Electrical Inspector by the Council Committee on Electricity last night. Five candidates being in the race, each with his friends and supporters. Mr. William H. Minor, the present inspector, received only two votes.

By the terms of an ordinance, City Electrical Inspector, Thompson, is required to nominate not less than three competent persons for the position. He presented five names, as follows: William H. Minor, J. L. Speights, Thomas W. Bowry, T. L. Martin and James H. Crenshaw, Jr.

One Candidate Not Licensed.

A number of papers endorsing each of the candidates were read. Alderman Gunst took the floor, and in the midst of repeated objections from Mr. Don Leavy and Mr. Wiltshire, asked City Electrical Inspector Thompson to be allowed to charge passengers extra fare from points where they have opportunity to purchase tickets, and fail to do so, the Corporation Commission yesterday announced that the case would be kept upon the docket, and no final action taken, pending a decision of the two-cent rate litigation, which is expected probably within the next six months.

The companies desired permission to make this extra charge, not to be returned to the passenger, as a penalty for the non-purchase of tickets, which they claimed had resulted in a heavy falling off in their revenues on account of frequent stoppages of their trains, the consequent inability of conductors to collect the fares of many honest passengers, and the frequent imposition upon the companies by professional dead beats.

In delivering the decision, Chairman Prentiss said the Commissioners were agreed that they had no jurisdiction on the lines between Alexandria and Washington, these operating without the State, so this feature of the petition was dismissed. He and his colleagues realized that there was probably a troublesome situation between Richmond and Ashland, and they were in full sympathy with the efforts of the companies to bring about some methods by which passengers could be required to purchase tickets.

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They thought, however, that the petitioners should first exhaust the remedy afforded by the Commission, contained in the two-cent rate order, which is to make an extra charge where fares are collected on trains, the excess amount to be refunded to the passenger.

If this remedy should prove inadequate the commission might later on take another view of the case, but it would prefer to allow the present status of affairs to remain with reference to passenger rates on all the railroads, until the pending litigation had been determined by the Supreme Court.

Counsel for both sides cheerfully acquiesced in this decision, and Judge Prentiss directed the clerk to enter an order for the effect that after hearing argument and evidence on the petition, "the commission takes time to consider."

Mr. Lill Carter and President Wm. H. White representing the petitioning roads, and the Attorney-General appeared for the State. The latter offered no testimony, though he vigorously cross-examined the witnesses introduced by the companies, and made a brief but spirited reply to the argument of their counsel.

The witnesses examined were conductors R. C. McLean and J. F. Taylor, who were called for relief from trains over both lines; Ticket Agent W. G. Lehigh, of Alexandria, and Traffic Manager Warren P. Taylor.

What Conductors Said.

The gist of the testimony of the conductors was that since the 2-cent rate had gone into effect there had been a heavy increase in the payment of cash fares; that this entailed perils double as much work on the conductors; that often they were not able to get through the cars and collect the fares before the passengers got off, and that nearly all their time was consumed in collecting fares, to the almost necessary neglect of the safety and comfort of the passengers.

They testified that between Richmond and Ashland, a distance of sixteen miles, there are eighteen stops, and that often their trains are crowded. One of them said he frequently had to reverse the order of things, and

### POLICE COURT CASES

Some Are Sent to Jail for Various Terms and Others Are Fined.

William Hill, colored, charged with assaulting Nannie Mason with a broom, was called in Police Court yesterday morning, but his case was again continued, to July 23d.

Robert Parker, colored, who was arrested by Officers Wiley and Newman on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday, was dismissed.

The case of James Newson, colored, charged with assaulting William Taylor, was continued to July 1st.

William Gray and Little Robinson, colored, were charged with having aided and abetted some unknown person in assaulting Sylvester Booker. Gray was dismissed, but the woman was sent on to the grand jury.

William Mosby, colored, was sentenced to six months in jail on a charge of having stolen a coat from H. L. Rhodes.

On a charge of having been disorderly on a Main Street car, Edward Humphrey, colored, was fined \$10 and placed under \$100 surety for thirty days.

C. S. Venable, white, charged with being disorderly and drunk and insulting Mrs. A. C. Beckner, was fined \$10 and placed under \$100 surety for thirty days.

### WORK FOR PLAYGROUNDS

Civic Improvement League to Consider Plans at General Meeting.

The Civic Improvement League will meet at the Jefferson Auditorium tomorrow evening at 8:30 o'clock, members of the Mothers' Clubs and all others interested in the establishment of playgrounds in Richmond being invited to attend.

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings has reported favorably to the Council a measure by which the league is to secure the Seabrook Warehouse property as a public playground, provided the grounds can be arranged and operated without expense to the city. The league will have to consider ways and means before accepting the offer.

### Butler Case Goes Over.

The case of Walter Butler, charged with the murder of John J. Hairfield, was continued in the Hustings Court yesterday to July 10th, on account of the continued indisposition of Mr. H. M. Smith, counsel for the defense. Mr. Smith, who is recovering from injuries received while driving, was able to appear in court and personally request a continuance.

## \$3.50 and \$4.00 Straw Hats, \$1.90 Each

Nearly a hundred dozen go on sale this morning—the latest styles and of the finest braids.

Plenty of novelties for the young men—plenty of staples for the old men.

# Gans-Rady Company

## QUOTES RECORD TO SHOW THAT PUBLIC BEATS ROAD

Commission Declines, However, to Modify Two Cent Rate Order for R., F. & P. Until Supreme Court Rules.

Points Out Remedy for its Protection.

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Mr. Taylor's Figures.

Mr. Lehigh's testimony related only to the sale of tickets between Alexandria and Washington, as that feature was eliminated by the commission. It is not important for the purposes of the inquiry.

Traffic Manager Taylor was on the stand for some time, corroborating what his conductors had said about the increase of cash fares and its consequent hardships upon the companies.

Mr. Taylor, in answer to questions by counsel, submitted the following table, showing the increase in cash collections by conductors since the new rate schedules became effective:

Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac R. R.	1907.	1908.
July	2,122 40	1,964 95
August	2,892 50	2,240 75
September	2,741 25	1,961 25
October	3,834 63	1,947 20
November	4,286 05	1,810 20
December	4,282 25	1,914 25
January	4,225 05	1,719 25
February	4,228 05	1,614 25
March	4,929 20	1,358 25
Total	\$33,768 50	\$17,965 95
Deduct July, August and September	7,466 80	6,187 90
Total	\$26,301 70	\$11,778 05
(Two-cent intrastate rate, in effect October 1, 1907.)		
Washington-Southern Railway.	1907.	1908.
July	951 20	1,136 66
August	1,126 35	1,202 35
September	1,010 20	1,101 25
October	1,234 25	1,116 45
November	2,342 85	1,089 10
December	2,862 30	1,198 30
January	2,252 85	1,104 30
February	2,422 15	831 40
March	2,842 50	976 20
Total	\$18,058 30	\$9,800 80
Deduct July, August and September	5,087 75	3,641 15
Total	\$12,970 55	\$6,159 65
(Two-cent intrastate rate, in effect October 1, 1907.)		

### Briefly Argued.

Mr. Taylor submitted other statistical tables to bear out the contentions of his companies as set out in the petition. He also submitted a cross-examination by the Attorney-General.

The argument was brief and was based largely upon the evidence.

Counsel for the companies declared earnestly that they did not wish to evade the 2-cent rate law, and were simply appealing for relief from a simply appalling loss, which was materially decreasing the revenues of the companies and resulting in great inconvenience to the general traveling public.

General Anderson replied that the companies had already failed to meet out their contentions by the evidence adduced, and declared that if there was to be any modification of the 2-cent rate law pending its final adjudication, it manifestly should apply to every line involved.

The decision of the commission was deferred until meeting of the Board of Public Utilities by Judge Prentiss from the bench.

## EYELETS JERKED FROM HIS SHOES

Clothing Torn from Mr. Hobson by Lightning Shows Effect of Shock.

Encouraging reports come from the bedside of Mr. Saunders Hobson, who is still at his home in Gloucester county, recovering from the shock and burns of a bolt of lightning felled upon Sunday afternoon. The lightning yesterday indicated that he was more comfortable, that he had had an excellent night, and was rapidly throwing off the effect of the shock.

At the offices of Hobson, Massie and Leigh, in this city, yesterday, the scorched and twisted clothes, lit from the bolt, were exhibited. Both shoes were torn completely off, the metal eyelets being jerked out of the leather, the belt buckle at the waist bursting, and the clothing being much burned. Mr. Hobson's watch was hurled from his pocket.

The garments brought to Richmond were stripped of buttons, and cut into shreds.

Mr. Hobson's complete recovery is now regarded as only a matter of time.

### Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Harry L. Miller and Mary L. Owers, Sidney E. Atkins and Mary L. Owers, Alvin L. Newman and Nellie M. Harris, Louis Deyhart and Ruth Scott.

## HAD NO EVIDENCE TO PROVE CLAIM

Woman Who Sued Brother-in-law for Home, Failed to Secure Verdict.

The suit of Mrs. Bettie Lafong against her brother-in-law, Edwin O. Lafong, heard in the City Circuit Court yesterday, resulted in a verdict for the defendant. Mrs. Lafong alleged that Lafong gave to her husband, now dead, and herself a house and lot on South Laurel Street, in which she has been living since 1880, paying the taxes and making improvements, and believing the property to be hers, although she had no deed to show it.

Her husband died about a year ago. Subsequently, E. O. Lafong made over the property to Mrs. Lafong's married daughter and her husband, and she has been compelled to surrender possession. The jury decided that inasmuch as Mrs. Lafong had no deed to show her possession, there was no evidence of ownership, therefore, for the brother-in-law.

### Board to Pass on Veto.

President Turpin last night issued a call for a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen for Friday night at 8 o'clock to consider the Mayor's veto of the electric bond issue, and also to receive a report from the Council Committee on Grounds and Buildings in regard to the Blues' armory.

### To Meet Visiting Staff.

The Council Committee on Relief of the Poor met last night at 8 o'clock. The visiting staff of physicians for the City Home has also been asked to be present.